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ECONOMIC INTELLIGENCE COMMITTEE

Control No. 488030 EIC-M-75 12 August 1958

Minutes of Meeting Held in Room 1121, Temporary "M" Building 26th and Constitution Avenue, N. W.

12 August 1958

PRESENT: 25X1A

Dr. Otto E. Guthe, Chairman

, Vice Chairman

Mr. Harry Bell, Department of State

Cdr. Charles B. Brouillette, Department of the Navy

Mr. John W. Easton, Joint Staff (of JCS)

Mr. John Perkins, Department of State

Mr. Baxter Wood, Department of the Army

Mr. Wendell Woodbury, Department of State

Dr. Wilhelm Anderson, Department of Agriculture

Mr. Ernest Rubin, Department of Commerce

Mr. Jerome Forrest, International Cooperation Administration 25X1A

Dr. Norris G. Kenny, Office of the Secretary of Defense

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ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE CHAIRMAN:

1. The Chairman announced that the EIC had approved, by interim action on 12 August 1958, the Draft Seventh Annual Progress Report of the Economic Intelligence Committee. The report will be forwarded to the IAC shortly.

EIC CONSIDERATION OF EIC-R14-S5, "SINO-SOVIET BLOC ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES IN UNDERDEVELOPED AREAS, 1 JANUARY - 30 JUNE 1958":

2. Discussion: The Chairman opened the discussion by commending the Working Group for their efforts in preparing the report and for the fact that they had been able to meet the tight time schedule imposed by the current nature of the study.

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The ICA representative stated that he wished to again bring to the attention of the EIC his agency's need for the EIC to maintain its current effort to publish unclassified data on this general subject. The ICA representative also commented that he felt that this semiannual report moved away slightly from the analytical nature of previous reports in the series and tended to be somewhat more reportorial in nature, particularly in the assessment of the Soviet Bloc's activities. The Chairman and other members agreed that the Working Group should consider this comment in preparing the next revision of the series, EIC-Rl4-S6.

The Chairman asked all interested agencies to consult within the Working Group prior to the preparation of ETC-R14-S6 so that individual agency requirements for particular types of statistical presentations could be met early in the drafting stage. The report was then reviewed by the ETC on a page-by-page basis and minor substantive changes were proposed.

3. Action: The EIC approved the draft as revised, and authorized the Executive Secretary to make such editorial changes as were necessary to prepare the study for reproduction and dissemination.

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Executive Secretary